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Potato Stocks Up 11 Percent from February 2009

The 13 major potato States held 203 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2010, up 11 percent from a year ago and 2 percent above February 1, 2008. Potatoes in storage accounted for 53 percent of the 2009 fall storage States' production, 3 percentage points above February 1, 2009. Klamath Basin stocks totaled 2.80 million cwt on February 1, 2010, unchanged from a year ago. Klamath Basin stocks include potatoes stored in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Potato disappearance, at 181 million cwt, was 3 percent below February 1, 2009 and down 9 percent from 2008. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 18.7 million cwt, was up 11 percent from the same date in 2009 and 2 percent above 2008.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 90.4 million cwt of potatoes this season, down 9 percent from the same period last year and down 15 percent from 2 years ago. Dehydrating usage accounted for 17.1 million cwt of the total processing, down 7 percent from last year and 19 percent below the same period in 2008.

Fall potatoes: Production and stocks, 2009 and 2010 crops ¹

State	2008 Crop			2009 Crop		
	Production	Total stocks Feb 1, 2009	Feb 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total stocks Feb 1, 2010 ²	Feb 1 stocks as % of production
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>
California ³	3,948	1,300	33	4,158	1,200	29
Colorado	21,907	12,700	58	22,080	12,200	55
Idaho	116,475	66,000	57	131,000	76,500	58
Maine	14,769	8,500	58	15,263	9,400	62
Michigan	14,875	4,800	32	15,660	5,200	33
Minnesota	20,400	10,200	50	20,700	-	-
Montana	3,465	3,400	98	3,347	3,100	93
Nebraska ³	8,245	4,100	50	8,756	4,200	48
New York ³	5,696	1,600	28	4,950	-	-
North Dakota	22,680	10,400	46	19,125	9,000	47
Oregon	18,676	12,000	64	21,460	12,900	60
Washington	93,000	38,600	42	88,450	43,300	49
Wisconsin	25,730	10,300	40	28,980	14,900	51
Other States					11,500	
13 State Total ³	369,866	183,900	50	383,929	203,400	53
Klamath Basin ⁴	-	2,800	-	-	2,800	-

¹ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant the following year's crop. Seed usage to plant all seasons of the 2009 crop totaled 24.5 million cwt.

² Missing stocks combined into "Other States".

³ January 1, 2010 stocks revised.

⁴ Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR. Included in the 13 State total.

Fall Potatoes: Production and stocks, Oregon and major states total, 2005-2010

Location and crop year	Production	Total stocks						
		Dec 1	Following year					
			Jan 1	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 1	May 1	Jun 1
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
Oregon								
2005	22,023	19,000	16,500	14,500	11,500	8,500	5,000	2,300
2006	18,533	16,000	13,900	11,700	9,700	7,600	4,800	2,300
2007	20,293	18,000	16,100	13,900	11,600	9,200	6,400	4,200
2008	18,676	16,100	14,100	12,000	9,800	7,400	5,300	3,400
2009	21,460	17,400	15,000	12,900	-	-	-	-
13 Major states								
2005	375,118	253,800	220,500	189,100	155,500	115,700	75,900	41,560
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460
2007	397,753	265,500	232,300	199,300	163,400	125,500	83,960	50,420
2008	369,866	243,700	213,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300
2009 ¹	383,929	265,800	235,300	203,400	-	-	-	-

¹ January 1, 2010 stocks revised.

Potatoes: Used for processing, selected areas, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 crops ¹

Storage season	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To June 1	Entire season
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>
Idaho and Oregon-(Malheur County)								
2007-2008	26,230	33,250	40,310	48,660	55,460	63,000	70,700	88,030
2008-2009	22,380	28,980	35,430	42,150	49,030	55,570	62,940	77,340
2009-2010	23,110	29,180	35,170	-	-	-	-	-
Washington and Oregon-(other areas)								
2007-2008	30,595	36,940	42,350	50,165	57,160	67,690	72,380	82,770
2008-2009	32,560	38,050	42,795	49,865	56,350	62,635	70,625	81,260
2009-2010	25,350	31,200	36,490	-	-	-	-	-
Maine ²								
2007-2008	1,700	2,170	2,815	3,440	3,990	4,670	5,240	7,550
2008-2009	1,635	2,240	2,895	3,515	4,005	4,795	5,540	7,545
2009-2010	1,575	2,060	2,680	-	-	-	-	-
Other states ³								
2007-2008	15,040	17,535	20,755	23,900	26,650	29,710	32,600	39,430
2008-2009	12,480	15,120	18,165	21,030	24,025	26,515	29,590	37,285
2009-2010	10,605	13,260	16,015	-	-	-	-	-
Total								
2007-2008	73,565	89,895	106,230	126,165	143,260	165,070	180,920	217,780
2008-2009	69,055	84,390	99,285	116,560	133,410	149,515	168,695	203,430
2009-2010	60,640	75,700	90,355	-	-	-	-	-
Dehydrated ⁴								
2007-2008	12,815	16,785	21,040	25,350	29,500	33,650	37,975	46,660
2008-2009	10,675	14,490	18,335	21,465	24,875	28,195	31,870	39,345
2009-2010	10,945	13,950	17,065	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the state in which the potatoes were produced.

² Includes Maine grown potatoes only. Amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips.

³ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI. Monthly amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips in WI.

⁴ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.

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